

Members' Expenses and Training 2007/08

The Local Governance (Scotland) Act 2004 (Allowances and Expenses) Regulations 2007 require the Council to keep a record of payments made to councillors and to publish the information annually. The figures shown below cover the period from the ordinary election on 3 May 2007 to 31 March 2008.

FALKIRK COUNCIL - ELECTED MEMBERS' RECORD OF CLAIMS - ANNUAL RETURN 2007/08

(A) Surname	Forename	(B) Designation	(C) Salary	(D) Travel Expenses	(E) Subsistence Expenses	(F) Telephone & ICT Expenses	(G) Other Expenses	(H) Total Expenses	(I) Salary & Expenses Total
ALEXANDER	DAVID	SENIOR COUNCILLOR	15,736.37	69.48	-	-	-	69.48	15,805.85
BLACK	ALLYSON	DEPUTE PROVOST	18,656.76	-	-	-	-	-	18,656.76
BLACKWOOD	JAMES	SENIOR COUNCILLOR *	15,579.98	1,347.08	-	-	-	1,347.08	16,927.06
BUCHANAN	WILLIAM	SENIOR COUNCILLOR	18,656.76	1,193.57	-	-	-	1,193.57	19,850.33
CARLESCHI	STEVEN	COUNCILLOR	14,039.75	831.39	-	99.34	-	930.73	14,970.48
COLEMAN	THOMAS	COUNCILLOR	14,039.75	-	-	-	-	-	14,039.75
CONSTABLE	HENRY	COUNCILLOR	14,039.75	4,266.66	-	-	-	4,266.66	18,306.41
CONSTABLE	JOHN	COUNCILLOR	14,039.75	189.20	-	-	-	189.20	14,228.95
FRY	STEPHEN	COUNCILLOR	14,039.75	-	-	-	-	-	14,039.75
GOLDIE	GERALD	SENIOR COUNCILLOR	18,656.76	-	-	-	-	-	18,656.76
GOW	LINDA	LEADER	27,498.82	-	-	-	-	-	27,498.82
HUGHES	GORDON	COUNCILLOR	14,039.75	-	-	-	-	-	14,039.75
JACKSON	STEVEN	COUNCILLOR	14,039.75	-	-	-	-	-	14,039.75
KENNA	LYNDA	SENIOR COUNCILLOR **	19,942.26	1,746.68	89.13	-	214.64	2,050.45	21,992.71
LEMETTI	JOE	SENIOR COUNCILLOR	15,736.37	25.20	-	-	-	25.20	15,761.57
MACDONALD	ANGUS	COUNCILLOR	14,039.75	2,314.01	315.84	283.64	-	2,913.49	16,953.24
MACDONALD	CHARLES	SENIOR COUNCILLOR	18,656.76	-	-	-	-	-	18,656.76
MAHONEY	ADRIAN	SENIOR COUNCILLOR	18,656.76	799.02	-	-	-	799.02	19,455.78
MARTIN	CRAIG	SENIOR COUNCILLOR	18,656.76	-	-	-	-	-	18,656.76
MARTIN	CRAIG R	SENIOR COUNCILLOR	15,736.37	-	-	-	-	-	15,736.37
MCLUCKIE	JOHN	SENIOR COUNCILLOR	15,736.37	1,426.50	-	-	-	1,426.50	17,162.87
MCNALLY	JOHN	COUNCILLOR	14,039.75	557.09	-	-	-	557.09	14,596.84
MCNEILL	ALISTAIR	SENIOR COUNCILLOR	15,736.37	846.46	-	-	-	846.46	16,582.83
MEIKLEJOHN	CECIL	COUNCILLOR	14,039.75	76.42	-	130.50	-	206.92	14,246.67
NICOL	MALCOLM	SENIOR COUNCILLOR	18,177.47	999.95	-	-	-	999.95	19,177.42
NIMMO	ALAN	COUNCILLOR	14,039.75	976.73	-	12.29	6.00	995.02	15,034.77
OLIVER	MARTIN	COUNCILLOR	14,039.75	690.71	-	-	-	690.71	14,730.46
PATRICK	JOHN	SENIOR COUNCILLOR	15,522.36	159.66	-	-	-	159.66	15,682.02
REID	PATRICK	PROVOST	20,769.66	-	-	-	-	-	20,769.66
SPEARS	ROBERT	COUNCILLOR	14,039.75	1,081.15	-	46.96	-	1,128.11	15,167.86
THOMSON	GEORGIE	COUNCILLOR	14,039.75	-	-	-	-	-	14,039.75
WADDELL	ALEXANDER	SENIOR COUNCILLOR	18,656.76	1,689.53	-	8.00	4.50	1,702.03	20,358.79
TOTAL			523,326.22	21,286.49	404.97	580.73	225.14	22,497.33	545,823.55

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* Councillor Blackwood is Depute Convener of Central Scotland Police Joint Board

** Councillor Kenna is Convener of Central Scotland Fire and Rescue Service

NOTES

1. Under the Local Governance (Scotland) Act 2004 (Remuneration) Regulations 2007, there are now four levels of remuneration payments for councillors, covering the following positions:

- Provost
- Leader of the Council
- Senior Councillors, and
- Councillors

With the exception of Senior Councillors, the level of remuneration is set in the Regulations. Councils have a degree of discretion in setting the number of and remuneration for Senior Councillors within certain parameters.

2. Remuneration is subject to income tax and national insurance deductions.

3. Levels of travel and subsistence payments are determined by the Allowances and Expenses Regulations. Councillors may claim costs incurred when carrying out approved duties. Receipts must be provided.

4. Councillors are entitled to be reimbursed for that element of their telephone expenses which relates directly to their duties as councillors.

COUNCILLOR ATTENDANCE AT TRAINING AND CONFERENCES

In addition to the duties of their elected office, councillors also undertake training and development, in groups and individually. Details of the training provided for councillors and attendance at conferences throughout the year are given below. In addition to what is recorded, many councillors will also have undertaken their own programme of self study and awareness raising.

Elected Member Training: 1 May 2007/2008		
Date	Course Title	Numbers(s) Attended
09/05/07	Induction Session	25
14/05/07 07/06/07	Training Needs & Personal Development Plans	14
29/05/07 06/06/07	Development Control & The Planning Regime	17
05/06/07	Best Value & Community Planning	14
15/06/07	Licensing Board	8
20/07/07	Fire Board Induction Training	2
01/08/07	ServeWise Licensing Board Training	10
08/08/07	An Introduction to the Community Health & Safety Committee	9
10/08/07	Civic Licensing Committee	10
10/08/07	An Introduction to the Housing & Social Work Committee	9

Elected Member Training: 1 May 2007/2008 (continued)

Date	Course Title	Numbers(s) Attended
21/08/07	Police Board Appeals Committee Training	1
23/08/07	Central Scotland Joint Police Board Induction	4
22/08/07	Protection, Support & Care of Children & Young People	6
22/08/07	An Introduction to the Education & Leisure Committee	10
24/08/07	An Introduction to the Environment & Heritage Committee	12
31/08/07	An Introduction to the Economic Development Committee	10
22/09/07	Fire Board Operational Issues Training - Mass Decontamination, High Volume Pumping & Environmental Protection	4
05/10/07	Joint Boards - Best Value & Performance Management	12
11/12/07	Planning & Development Module	7
08/01/08	Police Board Appointments Committee Training	2
25/04/2004	Fire Board Appointments Committee Training	2
15/05/08	Data Protection	9

Elected Member Conferences 2007/08		
Date	Course Title	Number(s) Attended
04/09/07 - 06/09/07	National Licensing Conference	1
12/11/07 - 13/11/07	Fire Conference	1
03/12/2007	Politics Explained: Rethinking Scottish Local Government Conference	1
30/01/2008	Developments in Social Housing Finance in Scotland	1
05/03/08 - 07/03/08	COSLA Annual Conference	1
19/03/2008	Managing the Transition - Annual Licensing Board Chairs Conference	2